

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

Visit to Our New Possessions in the Pacific.

By OSCAR F. SAMPSON.
Mr. N. Y. Vois, Spanish War.

In the former article I spoke of the earliest known history of the islands; in this I shall treat of the native of the islands, the Kanaka. Although there are 50 per cent. Chinese and Japanese, 10 per cent. Portuguese, and about eight per cent. Americans and other foreign people in the islands, the native's smiling face and "Aloha" of welcome greets you from the time you enter the land until you leave.

This sunny-natured son of the soil is by far the most interesting individual you meet in this "land of liquid sunshine"; you find him at every turn, and no occupation can get along without him; his familiar and quite attractive face greets you in the store, the hotel, the printing office, at public works and upon the wharf; in the churches and schools, and at all places of amusement. With few exceptions he greets you kindly, almost winningly, with his friendliness, and the stranger feels in touch with him at once.

CHEERFUL AND HOSPITABLE.
His home and hospitality are yours without the asking; food, drink, and much else as he has to bestow are given with the utmost attention to your needs. I am quite persuaded that this generosity on the part of the native has been ill-rewarded by ungrateful visitors.

The Kanaka makes the most obliging and careful of clerks, though their success as clerks rarely advances them further; because, as I mentioned before, a Kanaka cannot govern, and neither is he capable of handling a business with any degree of success where systematic work or unusual ability is required.

Having been some weeks in the islands, and seeing no native in business for himself, I inquired the cause of a native friend of mine. He gave me this explanation: "When you have been with us longer you will understand the reason better. I will tell you now that a number of Hawaiians have undertaken it, but have always failed."

"But what is the trouble?" I asked, knowing the good qualities of his people in the capacity of clerks, laborers, mechanics and a dozen and one vocations.

"Simply because when the Kanaka gets a dollar in his pocket he is never easy until it is gone," was the quick and truthful reply.

It truly seems that nature has had her hand in compelling these natives to be thus by helping their life to be free from the outlook of failure of crops, hard winter seasons and such other troubles as have taught their more successful friends many lessons. Our friend gets along very well with his fruit stand and his fish stall; indeed, it were almost useless to live there without these, and he does notable work with his boat traffic; but aside from these his life is given in labor to others.

SEA-FISHING AND BOATING.

Sea-fishing, boating and swimming the native never tires of. The Kanaka is ready to own his ignorance of practical farming and stock-raising; in truth, he is quite willing the Chinese and Japanese shall do this work. His existence is not dependent upon these duties, and consequently it is seldom we find a native who has more farm land than is required for his patch of taro plants and a few swine. But as soon as he sets out upon his fishing trip you notice a change in the whole make-up of the individual; he is a changed man, alert, active, ambitious and daring. All the deep sea-fishing is carried on by the native Hawaiian.

Coming from our camp to the city one evening as a heavy sea was coming in and darkness was fast approaching, I caught sight of a few tiny specks out upon the waves. In a few minutes I saw they were native fishermen in their "prows," or native canoes, returning from a fishing trip. As I stood, looking in amazement at their steadiness when in danger of being overturned or dashed upon the rocks in the reef, two of the canoes with one occupant each shot up on the beach and the native greeted me with a smile and an "Aloha" (How are you, friend?).

Here was my first chance to examine the "Prow." I found this one about 10 feet long and perhaps two feet wide in its widest part, and tapering toward both ends. They are usually made of a very tough bark and pitched inside and out. These boats are successfully kept from overturning by a simple outrigger made by the thoughtful native. Upon each end of the boat a long arm extends over the water, and to the ends of these is fastened another pole, or runner, to float upon the water, and serves to hold the equipage of the boat.

So simple and practical is this arrangement that very few fishermen lose their lives through its unsuccessful working. Even should the boat upset by accident, as it may

In closing the scene upon boating and fishing I will add that the excitement and danger sure to accompany such ventures are just the ones the Kanaka loves. Every year there are native boat races near Honolulu, and I am very sorry I could not witness one. I was told by an American resident that it is one of the pleasant as well as exciting times of the year. A number of native school and college boys are always in training, and much attention and encouragement is given this sport. So truly is the native at home upon the water that no storm can change his calmness, no winds can frighten him; he is simply master of the situation and believes he cannot get lost.

SURF-RIDING.
For a number of years past surf-riding has been greatly on the decline, I presume, for these two reasons: First, it requires continual practice for about 12 or 15 years to become an expert. This was told me by



NATIVE RIDING COSTUME.

a native who has given much attention to the sport. Second, the natives are becoming less fond of the sport, which requires keenness of eye, strength of muscle and judgment, beside a rare steadiness of nerve and head. These last may be accounted for in a large part by the fact that with amalgamation the native also loses his cunning along these lines.

If boating in these waters requires great nerve, certainly surf-riding requires a large amount more of it. Think of a man or woman—for both join in the sport—nearly a mile from shore upon large breakers with only a coffin-shaped board about 10 feet in length by two feet wide, which, when a breaker comes along to suit him, he quickly places under him, and after mounting his steed, begins a race shoreward that is to end in almost lightning rapidity.

I will give a few words on this sport from Mr. Olson, of Honolulu: "The exciting pastime of surf-riding was greatly enjoyed by both sexes. To be a successful performer the swimmer required immense nerve and long practice. The surf-board is made of koa wood of light weight, kept highly polished, and is about eight feet long by a foot and a half wide. Carrying this before him, or under his arm, the native rider dives under the huge waves, and swims out to sea until he reaches the outer line of breakers. Here he watches his chance, seeking the highest roller, on the top of which he seeks to poise. Lying face downward, afterward to rise to a kneeling or standing posture, he is brought shoreward like a flash of lightning, skillfully avoiding the rocks, to be thrown in triumph and safety upon the sandy beach. The skill is greatest in mounting the roller at just the right moment, and in keeping the right position upon its highest edge. In matters pertaining to horses, wind and wave the native is complete master; alertness, cool judgment, and enthusiasm fill his being, and he is a warrior in strength, a general in coolness, and a machine in action. The sea is his schoolmaster, his 'prow' is his best friend, and the broadness of the great Pacific his nursery."

One of the finest collections of fishing-tackle in the world can be seen in the Bishop Art Museum at Honolulu. It would do an American sportsman good to have access to it, and, to say the least, it entitles the Hawaiian to a place of rank as a fisherman. Behind the scene of the white man with his iron hooks and fancy thread this native resorted to the simple material of olona

into manhood without catching this cowboy fever. The young are as fond of horse-trading as our boys of trading jack-knives or pencils, and they are equally as common. Girls and boys alike are often seen in a hot race along a country road upon an animal with nothing but a rope bridle in the way of harness or fixture. The women as well as the men invariably ride astride. A skirt known as "pau" completes the habit of the lady rider. This consists of what may be termed a divided skirt with long folds reaching over the rider's limbs, feet and saddle to the ground; and as the rider goes at full gallop it makes a pretty sight, as the ends reach out behind like the tail of a kite.

Sitting one evening on the porch of the U. S. Post Hospital on King street, Honolulu, with a number of comrades, we were of a sudden startled by hearing the sound of approaching horses ridden at great speed, and concluded they were the detailed provost guard on their way to quell a riot in town; but you may imagine our surprise a moment later as nearly 50 native men and women rode into view. It was

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About 60 survivors of the 10th Conn. besides many wives and daughters, comrades, attended the Reunion at West Haven, Sept. 21. Gen. E. D. Goodyear, of North Haven, was chosen President, Calvin B. Wright and John L. Dutton, Vice Presidents, and W. E. Whitteley, of New Haven, Secretary. The next Reunion will be held in Hartford in September, 1900. Secretary Whitteley reported the death of Walter C. Hovey, Chas. A. Burrell, A. D. Harvey, Alexander Brute, W. P. Thompson, Chas. H. Brown, James E. Welles, James W. H. Carpenter, David L. Weaver, Joseph Kitchie, Joseph Dayton, Floyd Pugsley, W. A. Pottine, Eliza S. Miles, and Henry C. Catzeng. Speeches were made by a large number of veterans.

ILLINOIS.
The veterans of the 10th Ill. held their Reunion at Plainfield, Ill., Sept. 21, and during the day were royally entertained by the Methodist Society. The day was pleasant, and all the business houses and many private residences were decorated in honor of the occasion. Speeches were made by Comrades E. H. Higgins, C. B. Garmey, J. H. Chubb, David L. Weaver, Joseph Kitchie, Joseph Dayton, Floyd Pugsley, W. A. Pottine, Eliza S. Miles, and Henry C. Catzeng. Speeches were made by a large number of veterans.

INDIANA.
23d Ind., at Salem, Ind., Oct. 19 and 20. A large number of comrades and families were present at the evening of the 19th. John J. Hardin, President, Salem, Ind.

The Reunion of the 12th Ind. Cav. at Salem, Sept. 27 and 28, was a roaring success. 43 survivors of the gallant old command coming from outside the city, and being joined at the meeting by many comrades who are now scattered throughout the country. Five deaths were reported. Comrade George Pickel, Joliet, Ill., remains Regimental Secretary.

MASSACHUSETTS.
1st Mass. Cav., at Lancaster's Armory, Boston, Oct. 25. 2d Mass. Cav., at 7 Oakland Ave., Somerville, Mass.

NEW YORK.
"Scott's 90th" (11th N. Y. Cav. Association), at Peekskill, N. Y., Oct. 19, in G. A. R. Hall. Thomas W. Smith, Secretary, 300 Third Ave., New York City.

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A joint Reunion of the 3d and 52d Ohio was held at Bainesville, O., Aug. 21. The Mayor of Bainesville delivered the keys of the city to the veterans, and the citizens opened their doors and hospitably entertained all who came. Many of the boys of the regiment were present, and their fathers and mothers were also present. The 3d Ohio had present 22 members. These were the men who stood so bravely before the terrible fire of the Col. Hovey's Battery during the battle of Stones River, but whose brilliant career was ended in the Col. Straight raid when the regiment was captured.

The 52d Ohio are known in history as "McCook's Avengers," and their history covers from August, 1862, to June, 1865. Perryville, Ky.; Chickamauga, Ga.; Mission Ridge, Buzzard Roost, Resaca, Bruce, Dallas, Kenesaw Mountain, Peach Tree, Jonesboro; then with Sherman to the sea and through the Carolinas to the end of the war. The 52d Ohio were added to its list of battles. Forty-two men answered to roll-call. Four deaths were reported. Of these 42 men, three had lost an arm, two had lost a leg, and several others bore honorable scars—all were men who had seen the enemy when in the midst of smoke and fire they looked for him along the glittering gun-barrel. They had with them the old tattered and scarred flag they had so honorably fought and so devotedly upheld. The 52d Ohio will Reunion at Chicago, Ill., at the time of Encampment, at which time they expect to meet the old 10th Ohio, which was composed of the 85th, 86th, 125th Ill. the 22d Ind., the 52d Ohio, and Battery I, 2d Ill. Art.

Comrade H. C. Miller, Secretary, 1st Ohio H. A., sends us a very interesting account of the recent meeting of the Regimental Association at Gallipolis, which on account of lack of space we cannot publish. The Reunion, however, was one of the best ever held by the society, and was well-attended. At the business meeting these officers were chosen: Pres., H. C. Miller; V. P., P. P. Hon. Lot Davis; Sec. Treas., H. C. Miller; Columbus, O.; Chas. Rev. C. B. Taylor. The deaths of Melville Cowdry, Wm. B. Colquhoun, Perryville, Ky., and John Jordan Bray, and Daniel Faulkner were reported.

At the 3d Annual Reunion of the 15th Ohio at Cambridge, O., Sept. 12, 45 survivors registered, among the number being Col. Frank Askew, of Kansas City, Mo.; Gen. L. B. Brown, and Thomas Evans, Co. Cope and Jos. W. Cordner were appointed a committee to consider the advisability of publishing a regimental history. Capt. John M. Richardson was appointed to prove the power of this new botanical discovery, we will send you one Large Case by Mail entirely free. If you request in return is that when cured yourself send your name and address to Mr. Frank Askew, of Kansas City, Mo.; Jos. W. Cordner, Recording Secretary, and Col. Samuel Bachtel, Columbus, Ky.

From a Maryland Comrade.
Comrade S. E. Flowers, sr., Mountain Lake Park, Md., writes: "The veterans in this community are grateful and desire to thank you for the noble part you are playing in our behalf as pensioners by so faithfully and ably presenting and defending our cause in all its phases."

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Fighting Days Recalled at Happy Meetings.

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About 100 survivors, many of whom were accompanied by their wives and daughters, were present at the 10th Annual Reunion of the 2d Ohio H. A. at National Soldiers' Home, Camp, Sept. 29 and 31. These officers were chosen: Pres., R. H. Peters, Co. G; V. P., L. W. Nevius, Co. I; Sec. Treas., T. M. Sechler, Co. K; Moline, Ill. For the purpose of holding the next Reunion at Chicago during the National Encampment.

PENNSYLVANIA.
21st Pa. Cav., at Lancaster, Pa., Oct. 27. Maj. Robert Bell, President, Granite Hill, Pa.

Comrade W. W. Feight, Lieutenant, Co. H, 56th Pa., Everett, Pa., writes that survivors of his regiment held a Reunion at Old Fallow Township, Pa., during the National Encampment, when about 50 survivors reported. Many of these met for the first time since their muster-out. Col. John H. Miller, of Philadelphia, was elected President, and Josiah Hinson, Point, Pa., was chosen Secretary.

THE RELIEF CORPS.

News and Gossip of the Great Auxiliary.

CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.
The 12th Annual Encampment of the Southern California Relief Association ended Sept. 15, after a most enjoyable outing of 10 days at Long Beach. Hundreds of veterans with their families and friends attended these yearly gatherings, and the general feeling is that "it is good to be here."

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